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**PATENT APPLICATION**

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Hitoshi KOBAYASHI

Application No.: New U.S. National Stage of  
PCT/JP03/010678

Filed: December 9, 2004

Docket No.: 121976

For: LOCKING SYSTEM, GAME MACHINE, AND DEVICE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Please consider the following:

**Amendments to the Specification;**

**Amendments to the Claims** as reflected in the listing of claims;

**Remarks.**